

## TOWN OFFICERS

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### Selectmen

GILBERT ISAACSON   HOWARD PORTER   NORMAN MELIUS

### Clerk and Treasurer

WILLIAM A. HUNT

### Assessors

GILBERT ISAACSON

RUSSELL WHITBECK

LEWIS HOUGHTALING

### Constable

MERVIN WHITBECK

### School Committee

WILLIAM A. HUNT

LEWIS HOUGHTALING

HOWARD PORTER

### Game Warden

MERVIN WHITBECK

### Road Commissioner

GILBERT ISAACSON

### Auditor

GEORGE T. HAMILTON

### Tax Collector

W. A. HUNT

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## OFFICERS

OF THE

## TOWN OF

# MOUNT WASHINGTON

MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

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Great Barrington  
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## REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

August 15, 1934.

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Gilbert Isaacson, Chairman  
Mount Washington, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Mount Washington for the period from September 12, 1931, to June 2, 1934, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,  
THEODORE N. WADDELL,  
Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts,  
Department of Corporations and Taxation,  
State House, Boston.

Sir:

As directed by you I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Mount Washington for the period from September 12, 1931, the date of the previous audit, to June 2, 1934, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the departments receiving or disbursing town money, were examined and checked.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the records in the departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmen's orders authorizing the disbursement of town funds. The cash on hand was verified by an actual count and the bank account was reconciled with a statement received from the bank of deposit.

The savings bank books representing the investment of the trust funds held by the town were examined and listed, and the income was proved.

The appropriation accounts were checked with the town clerk's records of town meeting proceedings, general ledger accounts were compiled and analyzed, and a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on June 2, 1934, was prepared and is appended to this report.

The balance sheet indicates that the town is in very good financial condition.

The computation of the tax rate for 1932 and 1933 by the assessors was checked, and it was noted that appropriations from available funds were not considered in the determination of the tax rate. In this connection attention is called to Section 23, Chapter 59, General Laws, which requires that the assessors raise all sums appropriated since the last preceding annual tax assessment, and which also provides that deductions on account of appropriations voted from available funds in the treasury may be made by the assessors only upon the approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation. All appropriations voted by the town, whether they are to be raised by taxation or transferred from available funds in the treasury, should therefore be certified by the town clerk to the assessors, as required by Section 15-A, Chapter 41, General Laws.

The records of tax titles held by the town were checked and verified. It is again recommended that the town treasurer institute proceedings for foreclosure of all rights of redemption on tax titles held by the town for over two years, as required by law.

The accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The tax levies of 1929, 1930, and 1931, which were outstanding at the time of the previous examination, were audited. The subsequent commitment lists of poll, personal, real estate, old age assistance, and motor vehicle excise taxes were added and reconciled with the assessors' warrants. The cash book collections were checked with the commitment lists, the payments to the treasurer were verified, the abatements were checked with the assessors' records of abatements, and the outstanding taxes were listed and proved. Verification notices were mailed to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received, it appears that the outstanding taxes, as listed, are correct.

The financial accounts of the town clerk were examined. The receipts for dog and sporting licenses were compared with the record of licenses issued, and the payments to the county treasurer and to the Division of Fisheries and Game were verified.

The records of the librarian for fines collected were checked. The payments to the treasurer were verified, and the cash on hand was proved by an actual count.

The surety bonds of the treasurer, collector and town clerk were examined and were found to be in proper form. The town clerk's bond for 1934 was not on file, in which connection, attention is called to Section 13, Chapter 41, General Laws, which provides that the town clerk shall give bond to the town within ten days after

his qualification and at intervals of not more than one year so long as he continues to hold office.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust funds.

For the co-operation received from all departments and officials during the process of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.

#### RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

|                                     |                    |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Balance September 12, 1931,         |                    |
| per previous audit,                 | \$ 9,105.94        |
| Receipts:                           |                    |
| September 12 to December            |                    |
| 31, 1931,                           | \$ 9,762.75        |
| 1932,                               | 12,224.25          |
| 1933,                               | 11,813.35          |
|                                     | <hr/> 33,800.33    |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 42,906.27 |
| Payments:                           |                    |
| September 12 to December            |                    |
| 31, 1931,                           | \$ 9,870.13        |
| 1932,                               | 11,826.99          |
| 1933,                               | 14,033.80          |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 35,730.92 |
| Balance December 31, 1933,          | 7,175.35           |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 42,906.27 |
| Balance January 1, 1934,            | \$ 7,175.35        |
| Receipts January 1 to June 2, 1934, | 1,321.65           |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 8,497.00  |
| Payments January 1 to June 2, 1934, | \$ 1,418.00        |
| Balance June 2, 1934:               |                    |
| Cash in office verified,            | \$ 7.05            |
| National Mahaiwe Bank,              | 7,071.95           |
|                                     | <hr/> 7,079.00     |
|                                     | <hr/> \$ 8,497.00  |

#### NATIONAL MAHAIWE BANK OF GREAT BARRINGTON

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Balance June 2, 1934, per statement,       | \$ 7,207.34       |
| Balance June 2, 1934, per check book,      | \$ 7,071.95       |
| Outstanding checks June 2, 1934, per list, | 135.39            |
|  | <hr/> \$ 7,207.34 |

## TAXES—1929

Howard Porter, Collector

|   |    |      |
|---|----|------|
| Outstanding September 12, 1931, per previous audit, | \$ | 1.91 |
| Abatements September 12 to December 31, 1931,       | \$ | 1.91 |

## TAXES—1930

Howard Porter, Collector

|   |       |          |
|---|-------|----------|
| Outstanding September 12, 1931, per previous audit, | \$    | 33.91    |
| Overpayment to collector adjusted (1931),           |       | 8.00     |
|   | ————— | \$ 41.91 |
| Payments to treasurer:                              |       |          |
| September 12 to December 31, 1931,                  | \$    | 41.91    |

## TAXES—1931

Howard Porter, Collector

|  |       |             |
|--|-------|-------------|
| Outstanding September 12, 1931 per previous audit,         | \$    | 4,222.62    |
| Additional commitment September 12 to December 31, 1931,   |       | 8.11        |
|  | ————— | \$ 4,230.73 |
| Payments to treasurer:                                     |       |             |
| September 12 to December 31, 1931,                         | \$    | 3,505.01    |
| 1932,  |       | 692.58      |
|  | ————— | \$ 4,197.59 |
| Transferred to tax titles, 1932,                           |       | 19.80       |
| Outstanding December 31, 1933, and June 2, 1934, per list, |       | 13.34       |
|  | ————— | \$ 4,230.73 |

## TAXES—1932

William A. Hunt, Collector

|   |       |             |
|---|-------|-------------|
| Commitment per warrant,                                   | \$    | 3,648.11    |
| Additional commitment,                                    |       | 14.00       |
|   | ————— | \$ 3,662.11 |
| Payments to treasurer:                                    |       |             |
| 1932,   | \$    | 3,307.30    |
| 1933,   |       | 194.05      |
|   | ————— | \$ 3,501.35 |
| Transfer to tax titles, 1932,                             |       | 12.60       |
| Warrant in excess of commitment list,                     |       | .03         |
| Outstanding December 31, 1933 and June 2, 1934, per list, |       | 148.13      |
|   | ————— | \$ 3,662.11 |

## TAXES—1933

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                                     |       |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------------|
| Commitment per warrant,             | \$    | 5,082.68    |
| Payments to treasurer,              | \$    | 4,283.24    |
| Transfer to tax titles,             | \$    | 17.28       |
| Outstanding December 31, 1933,      |       | 782.16      |
|                                     | ————— | \$ 5,082.68 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1934,        | \$    | 782.16      |
| Payments to treasurer:              |       |             |
| January 1 to June 2, 1934,          | \$    | 167.44      |
| Outstanding June 2, 1934, per list, |       | 614.72      |
|                                     | ————— | \$ 782.16   |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAXES—1931

Howard Porter, Collector

|  |    |      |
|--|----|------|
| Outstanding September 12, 1931 per previous audit, | \$ | 4.00 |
| Payments to treasurer:                             |    |      |
| September 12 to December 31, 1931,                 | \$ | 4.00 |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAXES—1932

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                               |    |       |
|-------------------------------|----|-------|
| Commitment per warrant, 1932, | \$ | 23.00 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1932,  | \$ | 23.00 |

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE TAXES—1933

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                               |    |       |
|-------------------------------|----|-------|
| Commitment per warrant, 1933, | \$ | 24.00 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1933,  | \$ | 24.00 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1931

Howard Porter, Collector

|  |       |          |
|--|-------|----------|
| Outstanding September 12, 1931, per previous audit,                  | \$    | 43.20    |
| Additional commitment September 12 to December 31, 1931,             |       | 18.26    |
| Abatement after payment refunded, September 12 to December 31, 1931, |       | 10.73    |
|  | ————— | \$ 72.19 |
| Payments to treasurer:   |       |          |
| September 12 to December 31, 1931,                                   | \$    | 16.77    |
| 1932,  |       | 44.69    |
| Abatements September 12 to December 31 1931,                         |       | 10.73    |
|  | ————— | \$ 72.19 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1932

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                                     |       |           |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Commitment per warrants,            | \$    | 219.82    |
| Abatements after payment, refunded, |       | 14.95     |
|                                     | ————— | \$ 234.77 |

Payments to treasurer:

|                   |    |        |        |
|-------------------|----|--------|--------|
| 1932,             | \$ | 207.09 |        |
| 1933,             |    | 12.73  |        |
|                   | \$ | 219.82 |        |
| Abatements, 1932, |    | 14.95  |        |
|                   | \$ |        | 234.77 |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1933

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                                     |    |        |        |
|-------------------------------------|----|--------|--------|
| Commitment per warrants,            | \$ | 187.61 |        |
| Abatements after payment, refunded, |    | 13.33  |        |
|                                     | \$ |        | 200.94 |
| Payments to treasurer,              | \$ | 152.54 |        |
| Abatements,                         |    | 13.33  |        |
| Outstanding December 31, 1933,      |    | 35.07  |        |
|                                     | \$ |        | 200.94 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1934,        | \$ |        | 35.07  |
| Payments to treasurer:              |    |        |        |
| January 1 to June 2, 1934,          | \$ | 29.45  |        |
| Outstanding June 2, 1934, per list, |    | 5.62   |        |
|                                     | \$ |        | 35.07  |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1934

William A. Hunt, Collector

|                                      |    |       |       |
|--------------------------------------|----|-------|-------|
| Commitment per warrant,              | \$ | 94.53 |       |
| Payments to treasurer:               |    |       |       |
| January 1 to June 2, 1934,           | \$ | 33.55 |       |
| Outstanding June 2, 1934, per list,  |    | 48.71 |       |
| Cash on hand June 2, 1934, verified, |    | 12.27 |       |
|                                      | \$ |       | 94.53 |

INTEREST ON TAXES

Interest collections September 12, 1931, to June 2, 1934:

|                                   |    |       |       |
|-----------------------------------|----|-------|-------|
| Taxes, 1930,                      | \$ | 4.14  |       |
| Taxes, 1931,                      |    | 25.51 |       |
| Taxes, 1932,                      |    | 7.69  |       |
| Taxes, 1933,                      |    | 4.49  |       |
| Motor vehicle excise taxes, 1931, |    | 1.26  |       |
| Motor vehicle excise taxes, 1932, |    | .73   |       |
| Motor vehicle excise taxes, 1933, |    | .86   |       |
| Motor vehicle excise taxes, 1934, |    | .01   |       |
|                                   | \$ |       | 44.69 |

Payments to treasurer:

|                              |    |       |  |
|------------------------------|----|-------|--|
| September 12 to December 31, | \$ |       |  |
| 1931,                        |    | 7.01  |  |
| 1932,                        |    | 25.40 |  |

|                            |    |      |  |
|----------------------------|----|------|--|
| 1933,                      | \$ | 8.03 |  |
| January 1 to June 2, 1934, |    | 4.24 |  |

|                                      |    |       |       |
|--------------------------------------|----|-------|-------|
|                                      | \$ | 44.68 |       |
| Cash on hand June 2, 1934, verified, |    | .01   |       |
|                                      | \$ |       | 44.69 |

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

|                                  |    |       |        |
|----------------------------------|----|-------|--------|
| Cash on hand September 12, 1931, | \$ | 42.00 |        |
| per previous audit,              |    |       |        |
| Licenses issued:                 |    |       |        |
| 1932:                            |    |       |        |
| Males, 14 @ \$2.00,              | \$ | 28.00 |        |
| Spayed females, 8 @ \$2.00,      |    | 16.00 |        |
| Females, 3 @ \$5.00,             |    | 15.00 |        |
|                                  | \$ |       | 59.00  |
| 1933:                            |    |       |        |
| Males, 20 @ \$2.00,              | \$ | 40.00 |        |
| Spayed females, 6 @ \$2.00,      |    | 12.00 |        |
| Females, 4 @ \$5.00,             |    | 20.00 |        |
|                                  | \$ |       | 72.00  |
|                                  | \$ |       | 173.00 |

Payments to county treasurer:

|                              |    |       |        |
|------------------------------|----|-------|--------|
| September 12 to December 31, |    |       |        |
| 1931,                        | \$ | 42.00 |        |
| 1932,                        |    | 54.00 |        |
| 1933,                        |    | 66.00 |        |
|                              | \$ |       | 162.00 |

Fees retained:

|                 |    |      |        |
|-----------------|----|------|--------|
| 1932, 25 @ .20, | \$ | 5.00 |        |
| 1933, 30 @ .20, |    | 6.00 |        |
|                 | \$ |      | 11.00  |
|                 | \$ |      | 173.00 |

Licenses issued January 1 to June 2, 1934:

|                             |    |       |       |
|-----------------------------|----|-------|-------|
| Males, 6 @ \$2.00,          | \$ | 12.00 |       |
| Spayed females, 3 @ \$2.00, |    | 6.00  |       |
| Females, 2 @ \$5.00,        |    | 10.00 |       |
|                             | \$ |       | 28.00 |

Payments to county treasurer:

|  |    |       |       |
|--|----|-------|-------|
| January 1 to June 2, 1934,               | \$ | 25.80 |       |
| Fees retained January 1 to June 2, 1934: |    |       |       |
| 11 @ .20,                                |    | 2.20  |       |
|  | \$ |       | 28.00 |

# TOWN CLERK

## Hunting and Fishing Licenses

Licenses issued January 1 to June 2, 1934:

|   |    |       |          |
|---|----|-------|----------|
| Resident citizens' fishing, 4 @ \$2.00,       | \$ | 8.00  |          |
| Resident citizens' hunting, 6 @ \$2.00,       |    | 12.00 |          |
| Resident citizens' sporting, 9 @ \$3.25,      |    | 29.25 |          |
| Female and minor fishing, 5 @ \$1.25,         |    | 6.25  |          |
| Non-resident citizens' fishing, 5 @ \$5.25,   |    | 26.25 |          |
| Non-resident citizens' sporting, 1 @ \$15.25, |    | 15.25 |          |
|   |    |       | \$ 97.00 |

Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game,  
January 1 to June 2, 1934,

\$ 89.50

Fees retained January 1 to June 2, 1934, 30

@ .25, 7.50

\$ 97.00

## LIBRARY

|                                      |    |      |
|--------------------------------------|----|------|
| Receipts, 1933,                      | \$ | 5.70 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1933,         | \$ | 5.70 |
| Receipts January 1 to June 2, 1934,  | \$ | .55  |
| Cash on hand June 2, 1934, verified, | \$ | .55  |

## MINISTERIAL FUND

|                              | Savings<br>Deposits | Total       |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| On hand September 12, 1931,  | \$ 1,351.08         | \$ 1,351.08 |
| On hand at end of year 1931, | 1,416.00            | 1,416.00    |
| On hand at end of year 1932, | 1,473.18            | 1,473.18    |
| On hand at end of year 1933, | 1,525.19            | 1,525.19    |
| On hand June 2, 1934,        | 1,525.19            | 1,525.19    |

| Income:             | Receipts | Payments            | Added to savings deposits: |
|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| September 12 to De- |          | September 12 to De- |                            |
| cember 31, 1931,    | \$ 64.92 | cember 31, 1931,    | \$ 64.92                   |
| 1932,               | 57.18    | 1932,               | 57.18                      |
| 1933,               | 52.01    | 1933,               | 52.01                      |
|                     | \$174.11 |                     | \$174.1                    |

## SCHOOL FUND

|                              | Savings<br>Deposits | Total     |
|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| On hand September 12, 1931,  | \$ 128.55           | \$ 128.55 |
| On hand at end of year 1931, | 134.72              | 134.72    |

|                              |           |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| On hand at end of year 1932, | \$ 140.16 | \$ 140.16 |
| On hand at end of year 1933, | 145.10    | 145.10    |
| On hand June 2, 1934,        | 145.10    | 145.10    |

## Receipts

Income:

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| September 12 to De- |          |
| cember 31, 1931,    | \$ 6.17  |
| 1932,               | 5.44     |
| 1933,               | 4.94     |
|                     | \$ 16.55 |

## Payments

Added to savings deposits:

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| September 12 to De- |          |
| cember 31, 1931,    | \$ 6.17  |
| 1932,               | 5.44     |
| 1933,               | 4.94     |
|                     | \$ 16.55 |

# TOWN OF MOUNT WASHINGTON

Balance Sheet—June 2, 1934

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

| ASSETS                             |              | LIABILITIES AND RESERVES          |              |
|------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Cash,                              |              | Surplus War Bonus Fund,           | \$ 46.14     |
| Accounts Receivable:               |              | Tractor Earnings Reserve,         | 739.83       |
| Taxes:                             |              | Appropriation Balances,           | 7,243.36     |
| Levy of 1931,                      | \$ 13.34     | Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus,     | 509.35       |
| Levy of 1932,                      | 148.13       | Overlay Reserved for Abatements:  |              |
| Levy of 1933,                      | 614.72       | Levy of 1931,                     | \$ 13.34     |
|                                    |              | Levy of 1932,                     | 148.13       |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:        |              | Levy of 1933,                     | 91.88        |
| Levy of 1933,                      | \$ 5.62      | Revenue Available When Collected: | 253.35       |
| Levy of 1934,                      | 60.98        | Motor Vehicle Excise Tax,         | \$ 66.60     |
|                                    |              | Tax Title,                        | 82.78        |
| Tax Titles,                        |              | Surplus Revenue,                  | 149.38       |
| Revenue 1934,                      | \$ 8,602.00  |                                   | 6,570.31     |
| Less estimated receipts collected, | 1,094.85     |                                   |              |
|                                    | 7,507.15     |                                   |              |
|                                    | \$ 15,511.72 |                                   | \$ 15,511.72 |
| TRUST ACCOUNTS                     |              |                                   |              |
| Trust Funds:                       |              | Ministerial Fund,                 | \$ 1,525.19  |
| Cash and Securities,               |              | School Fund,                      | 145.10       |
|                                    |              |                                   | \$ 1,670.29  |

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

### CHAPTER 81

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Paid Fred B. Schulze, tools,        | \$ 14.00    |
| Henry Lampro, drill,                | 59.00       |
| Mallison Garage, repairs on drill,  | 15.00       |
| F. H. Turner & Co., dynamite,       | 48.00       |
| Chase's Garage, gas and oil,        | 8.76        |
| Charles May, gravel,                | 68.60       |
| Northrope Mem. Camp, gravel,        | 14.00       |
| Nelson Salling, stones,             | 8.60        |
| William Laragh, labor,              | 319.75      |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 375.20      |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 322.00      |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 600.00      |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 590.25      |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 75.50       |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,            | 396.50      |
| Town tractor,                       | 315.00      |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 80.00       |
| Percy Weaver, labor,                | 69.00       |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,     | 77.00       |
| Colins Miles, labor,                | 12.00       |
| H. B. McLain, labor,                | 16.00       |
| Frank Wolcott, labor,               | 18.59       |
|                                     | \$ 3,502.66 |

### CHAPTER 90

|                                     |           |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid New England Culvert Co.,       | \$ 130.31 |
| Edwin Baker, cement,                | 20.28     |
| Albert Bristol, lumber,             | 26.41     |
| Henry Lampro, drill,                | 86.00     |
| Mountain Sand & Gravel Co.,         | 16.00     |
| F. H. Turner & Co., dynamite,       | 32.00     |
| Chase's Garage, gas and oil,        | 10.00     |
| John Keating, nails, tin,           | 3.00      |
| Charles May, gravel,                | 107.00    |
| Town tractor,                       | 49.00     |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 24.00     |
| Percy Weaver, labor,                | 124.00    |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 528.76    |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 519.63    |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 302.26    |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 159.50    |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 281.50    |

|                             |             |
|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Paid William Laragh, labor, | \$ 259.50   |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,    | 320.05      |
|                             | <hr/>       |
|                             | \$ 2,999.50 |

#### CARE OF CEMETERIES

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Paid Russell Whitbeck, | \$ 15.00 |
|------------------------|----------|

#### BONDS FOR TOWN OFFICERS

|      |          |
|------|----------|
| Paid | \$ 22.50 |
|------|----------|

#### WIDENING ROADS

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, labor, | \$ 54.00  |
| William Laragh, labor,        | 9.00      |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor,     | 29.56     |
| Frank Wolcott, labor,         | 16.00     |
| Norman Melius, labor,         | 49.00     |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,      | 49.75     |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,         | 16.00     |
| Colins Miles, labor,          | 16.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor,       | 44.25     |
| Percy Weaver, labor,          | 12.50     |
| Town tractor,                 | 112.00    |
| Edmund Salling, labor,        | 46.25     |
| Howard Porter, labor,         | 12.50     |
| F. H. Turner & Co., dynamite, | 13.63     |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 480.44 |

#### WINTER RUTTING

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Norman Melius, labor, | \$ 20.00  |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,   | 20.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor,    | 13.50     |
| Town Tractor,              | 70.00     |
|                            | <hr/>     |
|                            | \$ 123.50 |

#### SNOW FENCE

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, labor,       | \$ 12.00 |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck,   | 16.25    |
| William Laragh, labor,              | 8.50     |
| Edmund Salling, labor,              | 11.00    |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,            | 9.00     |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,     | 22.00    |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor and truck, | 14.50    |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,               | 7.00     |
| Percy Weaver, labor,                | 7.00     |
| H. B. McLain, labor,                | 3.00     |
| Frank Wolcott, labor,               | 2.50     |
| Colins Miles, labor,                | 3.50     |

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Edwin Baker, wire,         | \$ 4.50   |
| New England Culvert Co., fence, | 153.00    |
|                                 | <hr/>     |
|                                 | \$ 273.75 |

#### BRIDGES AND RAILING

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, labor, | \$ 17.50  |
| Norman Melius, labor,         | 13.50     |
| Edmund Salling, labor,        | 27.50     |
| William Laragh, labor,        | 13.50     |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor,     | 17.99     |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,      | 27.50     |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,         | 6.50      |
| Percy Weaver, labor,          | 6.50      |
| Colins Miles, labor,          | 6.50      |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor,       | 11.00     |
| Howard Porter, labor,         | 5.50      |
| John Keating, nails,          | 7.06      |
|                               | <hr/>     |
|                               | \$ 160.55 |

#### SNOW AND SANDING

|                                   |           |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid William Hunt, labor,         | \$ 3.08   |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,          | 63.50     |
| Norman Melius, labor and truck,   | 54.22     |
| Russell Whitbeck, labor,          | 7.44      |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor and truck, | 27.36     |
| Howard Porter, labor and truck,   | 39.21     |
| Earl VanDeusen, labor,            | 20.12     |
| Percy Weaver,                     | 6.00      |
| ----- Martin, labor,              | 5.25      |
| Ezra Whitbeck, labor,             | 2.63      |
| Theodore Melius, labor,           | 3.07      |
| Edmund Salling, labor,            | 7.00      |
| Colins Miles, labor,              | 5.25      |
| Edwin Houghtaling, labor,         | 14.00     |
| William Laragh, labor,            | 5.25      |
| Town tractor,                     | 161.00    |
| Earl VanDeusen, labor, 1933,      | 7.87      |
| Charles May, gravel,              | 3.00      |
|                                   | <hr/>     |
|                                   | \$ 435.25 |

#### TOWN OFFICERS

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Paid George Hamilton, auditor, 1933, | \$ 10.00 |
| William Hunt, tax collector, 1933,   | 125.00   |
| Russell Whitbeck, assessor,          | 45.00    |
| Lewis Houghtaling, assessor,         | 45.00    |



|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Gilbert Isaacson, assessor,     | \$ 45.00  |
| Mervin Whitbeck, game warden,        | 25.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, constable,          | 15.75     |
| Howard Porter, stock inspector,      | 10.00     |
| Howard Porter, fire warden,          | 5.00      |
| Howard Porter, selectman,            | 40.00     |
| Howard Porter, school committee,     | 10.00     |
| Norman Melius, selectman,            | 40.00     |
| Gilbert Isaacson, selectman,         | 50.00     |
| Lewis Houghtaling, meat inspector,   | 1.00      |
| Lewis Houghtaling, school committee, | 10.00     |
| William A. Hunt, treasurer,          | 75.00     |
| William A. Hunt, town clerk,         | 75.00     |
| William A. Hunt, school committee,   | 10.00     |
|                                      | <hr/>     |
|                                      | \$ 636.75 |

#### LIBRARY

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Paid Lucy Hunt, | \$ 25.00 |
|-----------------|----------|

#### EMERGENCY ACCOUNT

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Paid Hobbs & Warren, books,                    | \$ 9.44 |
| Davol Printing House, blanks,                  | 3.50    |
| Barre Gazette, excise bills,                   | 3.00    |
| Peter Hagen, town reports,                     | 53.75   |
| Hobbs & Warren, collector blanks,              | .75     |
| Howard Porter, yard for pound,                 | 1.00    |
| Gilbert Isaacson, postage, freight, telephone, | 4.91    |
| William Hunt, stamps, envelopes, ink,          | 10.34   |
| William Hunt, expenses to Boston, telephone,   | 7.80    |
| William Hunt, cutting grass town hall, sealer, | 1.60    |
| William Hunt, officers' sworn, recording,      | 5.95    |
| Howard Porter, telephone,                      | .50     |
| Edwin Houghtaling, fighting fire,              | 7.92    |
| William Laragh, fighting fire,                 | 6.60    |
| Norman Melius, fighting fire,                  | 7.92    |
| Russell Whitbeck, fighting fire,               | 3.96    |
| Mervin Whitbeck, fighting fire,                | 3.96    |
| Gilbert Isaacson, fighting fire,               | 3.96    |
| Howard Porter, fighting fire,                  | 2.64    |
| Edmund Salling, fighting fire,                 | 1.76    |
| Nelson Salling, fighting fire,                 | 2.64    |
| Howard Porter, fighting fire, 1931,            | 25.00   |
| Ellen Whitbeck, ballot clerk,                  | 2.50    |
| George Hamilton, ballot clerk,                 | 1.25    |
| Russell Whitbeck, ballot clerk,                | 1.25    |

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Edmund Salling, ballot clerk, | \$ 1.25   |
| Beatrice Hamilton, ballot clerk,   | 1.25      |
|                                    | <hr/>     |
|                                    | \$ 176.40 |

#### GARAGE

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Paid Frank Brothers, lease,          | \$ 2.00   |
| Edwin Baker, paper, window, coal,    | 29.20     |
| Albert Bristol, lumber,              | 108.25    |
| H. B. McLain, labor,                 | 12.00     |
| Mervin Whitbeck, labor,              | 8.50      |
| Howard Porter, labor,                | 4.50      |
| John Keating, nails and supplies,    | 9.66      |
| Gilbert Isaacson, stove and freight, | 12.27     |
| Gilbert Isaacson, labor,             | 45.00     |
| Norman Melius, labor,                | 47.50     |
|                                      | <hr/>     |
|                                      | \$ 278.88 |

#### MACHINERY FUND

|                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Balance December 30, 1933, | \$ 739.83 |
| Received from Chapter 81,  | 315.00    |
| Chapter 90,                | 49.00     |
| Rutting,                   | 70.00     |
| Snow,                      | 161.00    |
| Widening roads,            | 112.00    |
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|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance,                           | \$ 1,446.83 |
| Expenses for gas, oil and repairs, | 228.01      |
|                                    | <hr/>       |

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Balance December 31, 1934, | \$ 1,218.82 |
|----------------------------|-------------|

#### TOTAL ORDERS DRAWN ON TREASURER

|                    |             |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Chapter 81,        | \$ 3,502.66 |
| Chapter 90,        | 2,999.50    |
| Widening roads,    | 480.44      |
| Machinery funds,   | 228.01      |
| Town officers,     | 636.75      |
| Bonds,             | 22.50       |
| Bridges, railing,  | 160.55      |
| Emergency account, | 176.40      |
| Winter rutting,    | 123.50      |
| Snow-fence,        | 273.75      |
| Library,           | 25.00       |
| Snow, sanding,     | 435.25      |
| Cemeteries,        | 15.00       |
| Garage,            | 278.88      |
| State tax,         | 300.00      |

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| State auditor,       | \$ 86.26 |
| County tax,          | 465.32   |
| Park tax,            | 1.21     |
| Soldiers' exemption, | 1.11     |

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Total expenses for 1934, | \$ 10,212.09 |
|--------------------------|--------------|

#### RECEIPTS AND CASH ON HAND

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance December 30, 1933,     | \$ 5,449.04 |
| Collector's certificate,       | 3,341.10    |
| Rebate on stock inspector,     | 5.00        |
| Chapter 81,                    | 3,000.00    |
| Chapter 90,                    | 2,500.00    |
| Income tax,                    | 248.70      |
| Corporation tax,               | 14.19       |
| Loss on taxes,                 | 87.74       |
| Excise tax,                    | 168.55      |
| Gas License,                   | 1.00        |
| Interest on taxes,             | 59.02       |
| Used from surplus in treasury, | 2,000.00    |

|                          |              |
|--------------------------|--------------|
| Total receipts for 1934, | \$ 16,874.34 |
| Total expenses for 1934, | 10,212.09    |

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|--|-------------|
| Balance in treasury December 31, 1934, | \$ 6,662.25 |
|--|-------------|

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT ISAACSON,

HOWARD PORTER,

NORMAN L. MELIUS,

Selectmen of Mount Washington.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

W. A. HUNT, Treasurer

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance in treasury, January 1, 1934, | \$ 7,175.35 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|

#### Received—

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Tax collector, 1931 taxes,                        | 13.34    |
| Tax collector, 1932 taxes,                        | 148.13   |
| Tax collector, 1933 taxes,                        | 513.84   |
| Tax collector, 1934 taxes,                        | 4,317.92 |
| Tax collector, interest on taxes,                 | 59.02    |
| County treasurer, dog tax refund,                 | 49.36    |
| County treasurer, wildcat bounty refund,          | 10.00    |
| County treasurer, Chapter 90,                     | 1,000.00 |
| Tax collector, 1933 excise taxes,                 | 35.07    |
| Tax collector, 1934 excise taxes,                 | 154.26   |
| State treasurer, Mass. school fund, part 2,       | 812.61   |
| State treasurer, income school, part 1,           | 150.00   |
| State treasurer, rebate stock inspection,         | 5.00     |
| State treasurer, rebate school superintendent,    | 187.06   |
| State treasurer, reimbursement loss of taxes,     | 87.74    |
| State treasurer, high school transportation,      | 490.00   |
| State treasurer, roads, Chapter 81,               | 3,000.00 |
| State treasurer, roads, Chapter 90,               | 1,500.00 |
| State treasurer, income tax,                      | 248.70   |
| State treasurer, corporation tax,                 | 14.19    |
| Sealer of weights and measures, seal pump,        | .60      |
| W. A. Hunt, gasoline license,                     | 1.00     |
| Leroy Crocker, overpayment, cleaning school yard, | 1.00     |
| Machinery fund, Chapter 81,                       | 315.00   |
| Machinery fund, Chapter 90,                       | 49.00    |
| Machinery fund, widening roads,                   | 112.00   |
| Machinery fund, winter rutting,                   | 70.00    |
| Machinery fund, snow removal,                     | 161.00   |

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Total receipts, | \$ 20,681.19 |
|-----------------|--------------|

#### EXPENDITURES

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Paid orders Chapter 81,   | \$ 3,502.66 |
| Chapter 90,               | 2,999.50    |
| School pay-rolls,         | 3,036.79    |
| Town officers,            | 636.75      |
| Machinery fund,           | 228.01      |
| Snow-fence,               | 273.75      |
| Snow removal and sanding, | 435.25      |
| Bridges and railings,     | 160.55      |
| Emergency account,        | 176.40      |

|                                 |              |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Paid orders care of cemeteries, | \$ 15.00     |
| State tax,                      | 300.00       |
| County tax,                     | 465.32       |
| Town officers' bonds,           | 22.50        |
| Library,                        | 25.00        |
| Auditing accounts,              | 86.28        |
| State parks and reservation,    | 1.21         |
| Veterans' exemption,            | 1.11         |
| Wildcat bounty,                 | 10.00        |
| Tractor garage,                 | 278.88       |
| Widening roads,                 | 480.44       |
| Winter rutting,                 | 123.50       |
| Automobile rebate No. 17,       | 3.37         |
| Automobile rebate No. 18,       | 2.81         |
| Automobile rebate No. 19,       | 4.50         |
| Total expenditures,             | \$ 13,269.56 |
| Total receipts,                 | \$ 20,681.19 |
| Total expenditures,             | 13,269.56    |
| Book balance,                   | \$ 7,411.63  |
| Bank balance,                   | 7,326.45     |
| Cash on hand,                   | \$ 85.18     |

#### MINISTERIAL FUND

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Deposit January 1, 1934, Great Barrington Savings Bank, | \$ 1,525.19 |
| Interest, one year,                                     | 46.10       |
| Amount on deposit January 1, 1935,                      | \$ 1,571.29 |

#### SCHOOL FUND

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Deposit January 1, 1934, Great Barrington Savings Bank,                 | \$ 145.10   |
| Interest one year,  | 4.38        |
| Total amount on deposit Great Barrington Savings Bank, January 1, 1935, | \$ 149.48   |
|   | \$ 1,720.77 |

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

W. A. HUNT, Town Clerk

Births recorded in 1934, none.

Deaths recorded in 1934, none.

Marriages recorded in 1934, (non-resident), 1.

Town officers sworn, 19.

Number of registered voters, women 18; men 22.

Dogs registered in 1934—

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| 20 males @ \$2.00,         | \$ 40.00 |
| 4 females @ \$5.00,        | 20.00    |
| 5 spayed females @ \$2.00, | 10.00    |

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Total amount received, | \$ 70.00 |
| 29 fees @ .20,         | 5.80     |

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|-------------------------------|----------|
| Amount paid county treasurer, | \$ 64.20 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

Hunting and Fishing Licenses Issued 1934—

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| 4 resident citizen fishing @ \$2.00,       | \$ 8.00 |
| 13 resident citizen hunting @ \$2.00,      | 26.00   |
| 11 resident citizen sporting @ \$3.25,     | 35.75   |
| 6 women and minors fishing @ \$1.25,       | 7.50    |
| 1 resident citizen sporting, free.         |         |
| 10 non-resident citizen fishing @ \$5.25,  | 52.50   |
| 12 non-resident citizen hunting @ \$10.25, | 123.00  |
| 1 non-resident citizen sporting @ \$15.25, | 15.25   |
| 6 special three-day fishing @ \$1.50,      | 9.00    |

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| 63 fees @ .25, | \$ 277.00 |
|                | 15.75     |

|                                       |           |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Amount paid Fish and Game Commission, | \$ 261.25 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|

## LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS, 1934

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Support of welfare,   | \$ 300.00 |
| Support of schools,   | 1,327.30  |
| Support of schools, reimbursements from state,  | 1,709.70  |
| Repairs of roads, Chapter 81,   | 550.00    |
| Snow removal and sanding ice, roads,  | 500.00    |
| Repair bridges and railings,  | 650.00    |
| Care of cemeteries,   | 15.00     |
| Emergency account,  | 500.00    |
| Library account,  | 25.00     |
| Town officers,  | 650.00    |
| Winter rutting,   | 200.00    |
| Snow-fence,   | 350.00    |
| Town officers' bonds,   | 25.00     |
| Chapter 90,   | 500.00    |
| Snow-plow and tractor garage,   | 300.00    |
| Widening roads in narrow places,  | 500.00    |
| Voted to ask Commissioner Long for authority to use \$2,000.00 from surplus to reduce tax rate. |           |
| Voted tax collector's salary \$125.00.  |           |
| Voted from tractor funds \$500.00 to machinery fund.  |           |

## TOWN HALL REPORT

W. A. HUNT, Town Hall Committee  
 Number of times rented, none.  
 Cutting brush and grass, \$1.00.

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

W. A. HUNT, Sealer  
 One gasoline pump tested and sealed, .60.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| HOWARD PORTER, Collector            |             |
| Warrant for 1931 taxes,             | \$ 5,682.95 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1931,        | 4,957.23    |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1932, | \$ 725.72   |
| Payments to treasurer, 1932,        | 692.58      |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1933, | \$ 33.14    |
| Rebated,                            | 19.80       |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1934, | \$ 13.34    |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934,        | \$ 13.34    |
| W. A. HUNT, Collector               |             |
| Warrants for 1932 taxes,            | \$ 3,662.11 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1932,        | 3,307.30    |
|                                     | \$ 354.81   |
| Less error in commitment book,      | .03         |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1933, | \$ 354.78   |
| Payments to treasurer, 1933,        | 194.05      |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1934, | \$ 160.73   |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934,        | 148.13      |
| Tax title,                          | \$ 12.60    |
| Warrant for 1933 taxes,             | \$ 5,082.68 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1933,        | 4,283.24    |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1934, | \$ 799.44   |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934,        | 513.84      |
|                                     | \$ 285.60   |
| Tax title,                          | 17.28       |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1935, | \$ 268.32   |
| Warrants for 1934 taxes,            | \$ 4,668.40 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934,        | 4,317.92    |
|                                     | \$ 350.48   |
| Tax title,                          | 15.40       |
| Balance to collect January 1, 1935, | \$ 335.08   |

# EXCISE TAXES, 1933

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Warrants,                    | \$ 187.61 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1933, | 152.54    |

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance to collect, January 1, 1934, | \$ 35.07 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934,         | \$ 35.07 |

# EXCISE TAXES, 1934

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Warrants,                    | \$ 179.23 |
| Payments to treasurer, 1934, | 154.26    |

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance to collect, January 1, 1935, | \$ 24.97 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

Real estate valuation, \$187,610.00.

Personal, \$22,590.00.

Polls, 22.

Tax rate, 1934, \$22.00 on \$1,000.00.

Number of fowls, 137; number of swine, none; number of neat cattle, 16; number of sheep, 50; number of cows, 32; number of horses, 13; number of acres, 12,471; number of dwelling houses, 71; number of motor vehicles, 47.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT ISAACSON,

RUSSELL WHITBECK,

LEWIS HOUGHTALING,

Assessors of Mount Washington.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined and checked all of the items—receipts, transfers and expenditures and their sum totals—of the accounts of the Town Treasurer, Tax Collector and Clerk. The cash balance and the bank balance were also checked and verified. All disbursements were checked with the written orders of the Selectmen.

I believe the town's accounts are correct in details and totals.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE T. HAMILTON,

January 31, 1935.

Town Auditor.

## REPORT OF LIBRARY

### RECEIPTS

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Cards to non-residents, | \$ 1.15 |
| Fines,                  | 1.19    |
| Damage on books,        | .05     |
|                         | <hr/>   |
|                         | \$ 2.39 |

### EXPENDITURES

|                         |          |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Balance from 1933,      | \$ 3.32  |
| Postage,                | .55      |
| Paste, etc.,            | .10      |
| Payment on bookshelves, | 6.03     |
|                         | <hr/>    |
|                         | \$ 10.00 |

Number of catalogued books in library, 1,197.

Total circulation, 1934, 758; books circulated, 745; fiction, 703; non-fiction, 42; periodicals, 13.

Largest circulation in one month (January), 98.

Number of books added to library, 430; gifts, 369; purchase, 61.

Respectfully submitted,

NELLIE J. HUNT,

Librarian.

As there was a great need for shelves at the library, we had three racks built, accommodating about 600 books, at a cost of \$10.20, part of which will be held over to 1935 for payment.

We extend our thanks to our librarian and to all who have assisted us in any way.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY HUNT,

BEATRICE HAMILTON,

GLADYS WEAVER,

Committee.

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
School Committee  
OF THE  
TOWN OF  
MOUNT WASHINGTON  
MASSACHUSETTS

FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

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## COMMITTEE ORGANIZATION

Mount Washington

WILLIAM HUNT, Chairman, 1937      Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
LEWIS HOUGHTALING, Secretary, Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
HOWARD PORTER,                      Copake Falls, N. Y., R. F. D.  
CHARLES L. STEPHENSON, Recording Secretary,      Sheffield

Superintendent

CHARLES L. STEPHENSON, Sheffield, Mass.  
Telephones: Office 97; Residence 127-3

Attendance Officer

HOWARD PORTER

School Physician

SOUTH BERKSHIRE HEALTH UNIT

School Nurse

SOUTH BERKSHIRE HEALTH UNIT

## SCHOOL CALENDAR 1935

Winter Term

January 2-February 21

Spring Term

April 29-June 14

Summer Term

July 8-September 20

Fall Term

September 30-December 20

School Holidays

County Teachers' Convention

Great Barrington Fair

all legal holidays

When a legal holiday falls on Sunday, the following day is observed

School closes at noon, Friday, December 20, 1935

## REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Mount Washington:

The expenditures incurred by the School Department; a statement of various reimbursements; together with the budget for 1935, are herewith submitted.

The budget for 1935 is slightly less than last year.

During the past year, storm-windows have been put on the school, the doors and base-boards fixed with weather-strip and molding; the building was also banked.

The superintendent of schools finally obtained the approval of the ERA administrator for an allotment for the town, and a project to put drainage on the school grounds was approved.

Some sort of light is very necessary at the school. It has been suggested that we transfer the large hanging-lamps in the town hall to the school and arrange their installation so they may be brought back to the town hall when necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HUNT,

HOWARD PORTER,

LEWIS HOUGHTALING,

School Committee.

## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of  
Mount Washington, Mass.:

I herewith submit my fifth annual report.

As the report of the school committee is very complete, I will simply endorse their recommendations and trust that we may be able to take advantage of Federal aid in improving our school property. The instruction at the school continues to be very satisfactory and I take this opportunity to thank Miss Gilligan for her co-operation.

Our pupils attending high school and college are all doing splendid work.

It is a pleasure to report that through the efforts of several of the Union Superintendents, the bill which was presented to the legislature to abolish reimbursements to small towns for transportation of high school pupils was not passed.

I take this opportunity to thank you all for your very hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. STEPHENSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Appropriation,                                  | \$ 3,037.00 |
| Expenditures,                                   | 3,036.79    |
| Balance, January 1, 1935,                       | \$ .21      |
| <b>EXPENDITURES—</b>                            |             |
| Superintendent of Schools, salary and expenses, | \$ 360.00   |
| General administration,                         | 8.48        |
| Teacher's salary,                               | 980.00      |
| Supplies,                                       | 8.22        |
| Text-books,                                     | 17.66       |
| Janitors,                                       | 11.75       |
| Repairs,  | 63.03       |
| Transportation, high,                           | 508.80      |
| Transportation, elementary,                     | 778.70      |
| Health,   | 25.00       |
| Tuition,  | 220.00      |
| Miscellaneous,                                  | 8.25        |
| Fuel,   | 46.90       |
| Total,  | \$ 3,036.79 |

## EXPENDITURES CLASSIFIED

|                               |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Teacher—</b>               |           |
| Anna Gilligan,                | \$ 980.00 |
| <b>Superintendence—</b>       |           |
| C. L. Stephenson, salary,     | \$ 331.92 |
| Expense,                      | 28.08     |
|                               | \$ 360.00 |
| <b>Supplies—</b>              |           |
| J. L. Hammett & Co.,          | \$ 7.34   |
| The Berkshire Courier,        | .88       |
|                               | \$ 8.22   |
| <b>Text-books—</b>            |           |
| Gledhill & Bros.,             | \$ 12.10  |
| The Macmillan Co.,            | 5.56      |
|                               | \$ 17.66  |
| <b>Janitors and Cleaning—</b> |           |
| Mary S. Melius,               | \$ 5.00   |
| Leroy Crocker,                | 6.75      |
|                               | \$ 11.75  |
| <b>Fuel—</b>                  |           |
| Gulf Refining Co.,            | \$ 44.90  |
| Henry J. Cairns,              | 2.00      |
|                               | \$ 46.90  |

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|--|-------------|
| <b>Repairs—</b>                                    |             |
| William Hunt,                                      | \$ 63.03    |
| <b>Transportation, High—</b>                       |             |
| Barbara VanDeusen,                                 | \$ 154.40   |
| Nellie Hunt,                                       | 155.20      |
| Hazel Porter,                                      | 84.80       |
| Richard Kandt,                                     | 114.40      |
|  | \$ 508.80   |
| <b>Transportation, Elementary—</b>                 |             |
| Edwin Houghtaling,                                 | \$ 771.80   |
| Howard Porter,                                     | 6.90        |
|  | \$ 778.70   |
| <b>General Expense—</b>                            |             |
| W. A. Hunt,  | \$ 1.00     |
| Howard Porter,                                     | 1.00        |
| Wright & Potter Printing Co.,                      | 1.99        |
| C. L. Stephenson, supplies,                        | .55         |
| Eagle Publishing Co.,                              | 3.94        |
|  | \$ 8.43     |
| <b>Health—</b>                                     |             |
| Visiting Nurse Association,                        | \$ 25.00    |
| <b>Tuition—</b>                                    |             |
| Town of Great Barrington,                          | \$ 120.00   |
| Town of Sheffield,                                 | 100.00      |
|  | \$ 220.00   |
| <b>Miscellaneous—</b>                              |             |
| C. L. Stephenson,                                  | \$ 8.25     |
| <b>We recommend the following budget for 1935:</b> |             |
| Superintendent of Schools,                         | \$ 355.00   |
| General Administration,                            | 10.00       |
| Teacher's salary,                                  | 1,000.00    |
| Text-books,  | 10.00       |
| Supplies,  | 10.00       |
| Janitor,   | 5.00        |
| Fuel,  | 40.00       |
| Repairs,   | 20.00       |
| Transportation, high,                              | 420.00      |
| Transportation, elementary,                        | 810.00      |
| Health,  | 25.00       |
| Tuition,   | 280.00      |
| Miscellaneous,                                     | 10.00       |
| Total,   | \$ 3,000.00 |



## REIMBURSEMENTS

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Total expenses for 1934,      | \$ 3,036.79 |
| Reimbursements--              |             |
| General School Fund, Part I,  | \$ 150.00   |
| General School Fund, Part II, | 812.61      |
| High school transportation,   | 490.00      |
| Superintendent of schools,    | 187.06      |
| Dog tax,                      | 49.36       |
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| Total reimbursements,         | \$ 1,689.03 |
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| Cost to the town,             | \$ 1,347.76 |

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Charles L. Stephenson, Superintendent of Schools,  
Mount Washington, Mass.

My Dear Mr. Stephenson:

The report of the nursing service for the school of Mount Washington during 1934 is as follows:

During the spring we had several lessons in bandaging, in which the children took a keen interest and did very well. A demonstration of this work was given at their joint Health Day and 4-H Club exhibit. In the fall term discussion classes were started on "Accidents in the Home and Their Prevention." This class also included first-aid treatment of the accidents discussed.

I assisted Dr. Harold Stevens with the physical examinations. The outstanding defect was poor posture. We discussed this at the adult Home Hygiene class and since then Mrs. Melius has started a gym class which we hope will help correct this condition.

The Southern Berkshire Health District has purchased an acoumeter for testing hearing. This device is considered far more accurate than the whisper or watch test previously used. All the children in the school passed this examination successfully.

All pupils were weighed and measured and although two did not come within the accepted weight range, they were found to be making satisfactory gains.

Two children were quarantined for scarlet fever during the year and one for being a contact to measles.

During the year the children were privileged to have two especially interesting visitors: one, a Chinese nurse who told of many customs among her people; the other a nurse from the State Department of Health in Minnesota, who told of the Indian customs in that section of the country.

A Health Exhibit under the direction of Dr. Harold Miner, State District Health officer, was well attended by the pupils and townspeople, who were very much interested in the motion pictures and exhibits of health material.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTELLE H. KEZER, R.N.,  
School Nurse.

January 7, 1935.